

Liber N N for the sune of two thousand foure hundred pounds of to^b & cask together with costs & Court charges to the then high Sheriffe of Ann Arundell County or his Deputy directed. by which said writt the said Henry Stocket (then high Sheriffe of the said County) was comanded in the name of the right Hon^{ble} the Lord Prop^{ry} to Levy by way of Execucon as well the said debt as costs upon any the goods debts or Chattells of the said Thomas Knighton in any part of the said County, & the same so levyed to deliver into the hands of the said Thomas Taillor Esq^r or his order By vertue of which writt the said Henry Stocket then high Sheriffe of the said County the Eleventh day of ffebruary one thousand six hundred seventy five in the tobacco house of the said Thomas Knighton att Herring Creeke in the said County of Ann Arundell did Levy by way of Execucōn aforesaid about twelve hundred pounds of tobacco lying then in bulke ready to be packed & almost five roomes of tobacco then hanging in the said tobacco house being by estimacon about fourteen hundred p^{ds} of tobacco in all by estimacon two thousand six hundred p^{ds} of tobacco of the proper tobacco of the said Thomas Knighton, & then & there did marke the said tobacco house with the broad arrow (according to the usuall custome of this Province of Maryland) which hath hitherto bin allowed & approved of to be a good & legall seizure upon Execucōns Notwithstanding the said Robert Peca not being ignorant of the p^rmisses, & knowing that the said Henry then high Sheriffe had Levyed tobacco aforesaid & marked the said house with the broad arrow aforesaid, & meaning & intending the same Sheriffe of the said two thousand six hundred pounds of tobacco craftily & subtilly to deceive, afterwards the sixteenth day of ffebruary one thousand six hundred seventy five att the tobacco house aforesaid with force of armes the said two thousand six hundred p^{ds} of tobacco out of the custody of the said Sheriffe did take & the same did convey to places unknown unto the said Henry then Sheriffe, whereby the said Henry hath not only sustained & expended divers labours & expences in seeking after the said two thousand six hundred p^{ds} of tobacco, but also hath wholly lost the said debt & Court Charges by reason of the conveying aforesaid Whereupon He saith that he is the worse & hath losse to the Value of two thousand nine hundred ninety nine p^{ds} of tobacco & thereupon he bringeth his suite

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And the said Robert by Thomas Bland his Attorney comes & defends the force & injury &c & saith he is not guilty of the trespasse in manner & forme & thereupon he putts himselfe upon the Countrey Tho: Bland & the plaintiffe likewise George Parker—Wherefore comānd is given to the Sheriffe that he cause to come before his Lopps Justices of Ann Arundell County in Court setting on the day